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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of the Intelligence Subcommittee of House Armed Services Committee on 9 May 1972

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1. On 9 May 1972, Messrs. Maury and Houston, accompanied by [REDACTED], briefed the Intelligence Subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee on the subject of security and classification procedures. The meeting lasted from 1000 hours until 1205 hours. A technical sweep of the room, 2216 Rayburn House Office Building, was conducted and the room was kept under technical monitoring throughout. The discussion included Secret/Sensitive material. A transcript was taken and is on file in the Office of Legislative Counsel along with the prepared statement.

2. Present for all or part of the session were:

Lucien Nedzi, (D., Mich.), Chairman
Alvin E. O'Konski, (R., Wis.)
William Bray, (R., Ind.)

3. Present from the Subcommittee staff were:

Frank Slatinshek
William Hogan

4. At the beginning of the session Mr. Maury explained that in his prepared statement he would go off-the-record a good deal because he was using sensitive examples to illustrate some of the points he wished to convey. The Chairman agreed. Major Committee interest appeared to be in declassification of documents, requirements for releasing documents, the cost of storage of classified material, the Hebert bill proposing a commission to examine classification, declassification, etc., the Brown Commission report on codification of criminal law, the espionage act provisions and the Marchetti and similar cases. Chairman Nedzi and both counsels were interested in ascertaining what the Committee can do by way of legislation to help in these areas.

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5. Shortly before the close of the meeting Mr. Slatinshek advised that the Agency would be requested to review the transcript for declassification and publication in accordance with Committee procedures.

6. There are no followups from the briefing.

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